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SUBJECT: CFR ADIRI MEETING

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1. FOTINO PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFO AFTERNOON SEPTEMBER 10.

2. PARTICIPANTS. SIZE OF ROMANIAN SIDE EXPECTED TO BE AROUND 20 PERSONS. LIST OF INDIVIDUAL ROMANIAN PARTICIPANTS, HOWEVER, NOT RPT NOT FIRM, AND FOTINO EXTREMELY RELUCTANT TO DISCUSS NAMES. UNDER SHARP PRODDING, HE SAID LIPATTI COULD "REASONABLY" BE CERTAIN TO PARTICIPATE IN EUROPEAN SECURITY PANEL (SEE BELOW), MURGESCU AND DOLGU IN NEW ECONOMIC ORDER PANEL, AND MFA OFFICIALS INCLUDING MITRAN AND "SOMEONE HIGHER" (I.E., GLIGA, IF HE DOES NOT GO TO VIENNA) IN U.S.-ROMANIA PANEL. UNNAMED MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE OFFICIALS ALSO EXPECTED TO ATTEND, AS IS FOTINO AND HIS STAFF. FOTINO EXPECTS TO HAVE RELATIVELY FIRM LIST OF ROMANIAN PARTICIPANTS IN NEAR FUTURE. WILL CABLE.

3. SCHEDULE. FOTINO ENVISIONS PRELIMINARY INFORMAL "GET ACQUAINTED" MEETING 1900 HOURS SEPTEMBER 28, FORMAL OPENING 0930 SEPTEMBER 29, AND PLENARY WORK SESSION 1000-1300. FROM 1500-1900, GROUP WOULD FORM FOUR JOINT SUB-PANELS ON EUROPEAN SECURITY (CSCE), NEW ECONOMIC ORDER, FUTUROLOGY, AND BILATERAL U.S.-ROMANIA RELATIONS. PANELS WOULD CONTINUE

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ALL DAY SEPTEMBER 30. MORNING OF OCTOBER 1 WOULD BE PLENARY

SESSION DEVOTED TO "CONCLUSIONS AND PROSPECTS." AFTERNOON WOULD BE FREE, BUT COULD BE USED TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS IF NECESSARY. NOTE: FOTINO HINTED U.S.- ROMANIA PANEL COULD BE SCHEDULED AT DIFFERENT TIME IF MEMBERS OF OTHER PANELS STRONGLY DESIRED ALSO TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS ONE.

4. SOCIAL EVENTS. IN ADDITION TO QUASI-SOCIAL GATHERING EVENING SEPTEMBER 28, FOTINO SAID MFA PLANS COCKTAIL PARTY AT DIPLOMATIC CLUB EVENING SEPTEMBER 30. IN REPLY TO HIS QUESTION AS TO WHETHER U.S. EMBASSY WOULD HOST COCKTAIL EVENING SEPTEMBER 29 OR OCTOBER 1, WE TENTATIVELY AGREED SUBJECT TO YOUR APPROVAL. FOR U.S. PARTICIPANTS GOING ON TO BELGRADE SEMINAR WHICH HE CLAIMS OPENS OCTOBER 5, FOTINO IS TENTATIVELY PLANNING A WEEKEND EXCURSION OCTOBER 2-3 BY AUTOCAR TO PITESTI, HOREZU MONASTERY, TIRGU JIU, AND RETURN TO BUCHAREST; PARTICIPANTS COULD THEN FLY TO BLEGRADE OCOTBER 4. NEEDS TO KNOW IF THERE IS ENOUGH INTEREST ON U.S. SIDE TO MAKE EXCURSION FEASIBLE.

5. HOTEL RESERVATIONS. FOTINO NEEDS TO KNOW ASAP EXACT NUMBER OF U.S. PARTICIPANTS PLUS ACCOMPANYING SPOUSES (NOT NAMES) TO MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS. HOTEL NOT YET FIXED, BUT PARC SEEMS TO HAVE INSIDE TRACK.

6. INDIVIDUAL INTERVIEWS. IN REPLY TO CAMPBELL'S QUESTION, FOTINO SAID ADIRI SEES "NO PROBLEM" IN ARRANGING INDIVIDUAL INTERVIEWS FOR PARTICIPANTS. THOSE WISHING SUCH INTERVIEWS SHOULD MAKE THEIR DESIRES KNOWN DURING PRELIMINARY SESSION SEPTEMBER 28.

7. ACTION REQUESTED. FOTINO REQUESTS CFR CONFIRMATION OF SEPTEMBER 28 PRELIMINARY SESSION, NUMBER OF PERSONS ATTENDING, AND INTEREST IN WEEKEND EXCURSION.
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